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At 3 months' notice 3 1/2% per annum.  
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J. MELVILLE MATSON,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1556

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WING to the DISSOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, I will Continue the BUSINESS of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER and AUCTIONEER in my own Name from this date.

### NOTICE.

M R. R. B. DALTON SAYLE was Admitted a PARTNER in my Business from the 1st Instant, and the Name or Style of the Firm in future will be "W. R. LOXLEY & Co."

### NOTICE.

W. R. LOXLEY.  
Hongkong, January 13, 1885. 76

### NOTICE.

MR. KILEDERO DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China and elsewhere CEASED on the 30th June last.

### NOTICE.

RUSSELL & Co.  
China, 1st January, 1885. 14

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THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. KILEDERO DELANO HITCH in our Firm in Hongkong, China and elsewhere CEASED on the 30th June last.

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REFERRING to the Notice of the DIS-SOLUTION of the Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE, I will Continue the BUSINESS of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER in my own Name from this date.

### NOTICE.

WILLIAM LEGGE.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1885. 12

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WILLIAM LEGGE.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1885. 13

## Intimations.

D. K. GRIFFITH & Co.  
MANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON  
ARATED WATERS,  
HAVE RENOVATED FROM THE BEACONFIELD  
ARCADE to larger Premises  
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Where they continue to Supply:  
SODA WATER, LEMONADE,  
TONIC, GINGERALE,  
Seltzer, RASPBERRYADE,  
&c., &c., &c.  
At the same Moderate Charges.

D. K. GRIFFITH,  
Proprietor.  
Hongkong, July 28, 1884. 1246

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Praya and Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong.

THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a grand view of the Harbour, and is only a few minutes' walk from the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The accommodation and service of every kind will be found to be of the best description.

An ample and varied TABLE d'Hôte is always provided and served in the spacious, large Dining Hall. The Hotel also contains handsome and comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms. The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

Messrs. DORABEE AND HING KEE,  
Pharmacists.  
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1659

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.

REMOVAL OF QUARANTINE AT  
ITALIAN PORTS AND MARSEILLES.

THE QUARANTINE formerly imposed on Arrivals from the East at the above Ports has been ABOLISHED, and Passengers can now proceed through to LONDON with the Mails via BRINDISI.

A. McIVER,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, January 12, 1885. 71

WITH Reference to the above, BUSI-  
NESS will be Commenced on the  
1st MAY, 1884.

For the  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 715

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## For Sale.

AYALA & Co.,  
REIMS.

## FOR SALE

THE CHAMPAGNE of the above Firm.

### PRICE:

\$19.00.....per dozen, Quarts.  
\$21.00.....Pints.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Solo Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1885.

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W. POWELL & Co.

EX STEAMSHIP ACHILLE.  
AN ENTIRELY NEW STOCK OF LADIES' FANCY WORK,  
consisting of:-  
Lengths for MANTLE BOARDS, BRACKETS, GIPSY TABLES, TABLE CLOTHS,  
ANTIMACASSARS, SLIPERS, TEA COSEYS, &c., &c.  
WOOL-WORK SLIPPERS and CUSHIONS for filling in.  
GENTLEMEN'S BRACES and TENNIS BELTS for Embroidering.  
EMBROIDERY SILK, KNITTING SILK, CREWEL SILK and FILOSETTE  
CORDS and TASSELS, all colours.

Also, a Specielly Selected STOCK of FRENCH GLASS WARE, consisting of:  
EPERGNEs, BOWLS, Specimens, GLASSES, &c., &c.  
POCKET BOOKS, CARD, CIGAR and CIGARETTE CASES.  
New ILLUMINATED ALBUMS.

Hongkong, January 12, 1885.

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ROBERT LANG & Co.,  
Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,  
QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

Hongkong, January 6, 1885.

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A large assortment of Christy's Felt Hats, always in Stock in all the newest styles.

CLOTHING.

Tweeds, Coatings, Trouserings, Serges, Flannels.

SHIRTS.

Having completed our arrangements we can now make to order White Dress Shirts, equal to home manufacture.

HOISIERY, SCARFS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS,

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Hongkong, January 6, 1885.

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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

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IN LIQUIDATION.

ALL HOLDERS of NOTES of the  
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION (HONGKONG BRANCH), are hereby requested to present them to the Liquidators of the Bank, when they will be given in Exchange, a certificate of the value of the Notes deposited.

Holders of Notes will be required to furnish to the Liquidators of the Bank, a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of issue, Number and Amount of each Note produced.

Forms of Schedule may be had on application at the Office of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

Forthwith

OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR  
OF THE  
ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,

By his Attorneys,  
J. MELVILLE MATSON,  
H. HOWARD TAYLOR.

Hongkong, August 2, 1884. 1285

NOTICE.

THE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co., having taken over the NAGASAKI DOCK, SHIP and ENGINEERING WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and Repair Vessels, at moderate terms.

The DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 29 feet broad, and having a depth of water on blocks at spring tides of 27 feet and neaps 22 feet.

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Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884. 2135

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STEAMBOAT COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHARE-HOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 52, Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st February, at Three o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd Instant to the 4th February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
T. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 15, 1885. 70

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### TO

### INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN, &c.,

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### W. A. GULLAND.

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Messa. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
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Hongkong, January 15, 1885. 1475

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### FOR SALE OR TO LET

### A FIVE-ROOMED BUNGALOW at the

### PEAK, with TENNIS GROUND attached.

### Possession from 1st April.

### Apply to

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### THE OFFICE OF THIS PAPER.

### Hongkong, January 17, 1885. 96

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### EXTRA FINE QUALITY

### FRENCH BUTTER,

### BRAND 'DUO DE NORMANDIE,

### —THE OLDEST BUTTER

### PACKING ESTABLISHMENT IN NORMANDY.

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AN INVOC OF PARLOUR AND COOKING STOVES.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

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EASTERN CIDER.

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DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the Gallon.

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Hongkong, January 8, 1885.

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## NOTICE.

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NORTON &amp; CO., Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.

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Hongkong, November 5, 1883.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

A Colonial and Indian Exhibition is to be held in London next year, and on the 3rd instant a Government Gazette extraordinary was issued here containing a circular despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject. This afternoon a supplement to Saturday's *Gazette* was published stating:

Where it is expedient that the Colony of Hongkong could be properly represented at the Exhibition of the Products, Manufactures, and Arts of the Colonial and Indian dominions of the Crown to be held in London during the year of our Lord 1886, under the presidency of His Royal Highness Prince of Wales;

No. 1—Sir George Ferguson Bonham, the Governor as aforesaid, do hereby by appointing the following Commissioners to act on the behalf by which such representation of Hongkong can be secured, and to report to me their opinion thereon; and I hereby charge all persons in the public service to assist the Commissioners therein. The Honourable William Keeney, Member of the Legislative Council (Chairman); William Neish Bain, Esquire.

Emanuel Raphael Bellis, Esquire. Charles David Bottomley, Esquire. Captain Paul Chater, Esquire.

Atwell Coxon, Esquire.

David Robert Fenton Crawford, Esquire. William Honfray Fullery Darby, Esquire. William Howell Forbes, Esquire.

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David Gillies, Esquire.

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Honourable Thomas Jackson, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Alfred Lister, Colonial Treasurer.

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Li Tak-chung, Esquire.

Alexander Palmer Macdonald, Esquire.

Edwin Mackintosh, Esquire.

Captain William Henry Marsh, C.M.G.

Commander George Darby Morant, R.N.

Honourable Edward Louisa O'Malley,

Attorney General.

Honourable John Macneile Price, Surveyor General.

Agostino Guilherme Romano, Esquire.

William Ross, Esquire.

Hopkinson Mr Justice Russell.

Dhunjeebhoy Ruttonjee, Esquire.

Honourable Phineas Ryrie, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Frederick David Saeson, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Frederick Stewart, LL.D., Registrar General.

Wal Yuk, Esquire.

Colonel George Edmond Lushington Walker, R.E.

Honourable Wong Shing, Member of the Legislative Council.

Henry Ernest Wodehouse, Esquire, (Hon. Secretary.)

It will not, we imagine, give this imposing Commission a large amount of trouble to settle what should be sent to London to represent the products, manufactures and arts of Hongkong. The choice will be small. A facetious artist, in representing the products of Hongkong, depicted an empty soda water bottle and a cigar stamp. Seriously, however, Hongkong must make such a wretched show in an exhibition of products, manufactures and arts that unless our articles of commerce from the neighbouring mainland are included in the exhibition for this Colony, perhaps Hongkong had better stand modestly aside in the affair. So far as purely local exhibits are concerned, they may include some refined sugar and ropes. If a facetious element be allowable in the exhibition there might be placed in the Hongkong 'show' a few chopped dollars, some soy, a bottle or two of Hongkong gas, and that fine painting of local notables which was on view at the Bazaar in the Public Gardens.

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Mr Kinglake is engaged on the last chapter of the concluding volume of his 'History of the Crimean War.' Twenty-two years will have elapsed between the publication of the first volume and the last.

GENERAL Briere de l'Ile, we are informed, has passed his word of honour to be in possession of Liugong by the end of February. The French demands are now reduced to the ratification of the Li-Fournier Treaty; no indemnity, no Formosa; but China still hangs back.—*N.-D. News.*

This trial eight at both 'Varsities took place on the 6th December. At Oxford the crews were exceptionally heavy, though both strokes, curiously enough, were light men. Balfour, who stroked the winning boat, scaled but 10st. 8lb.; his rival, W. S. Unwin, being only a pound more. J. C. Ward, the Cambridge light-fighter, with 1st at 7lb., was the heaviest man in either boat. G. F. Horbury, 14 st. 8lb., running him, however, very close. The two Cantab strokes touched the beam at 19 st. 7lb., so that light strokes seem to be the fashion at both Universities.

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The *Japan Herald* says that the Korean army appears to be numerically small; less than 4,000 have been taught foreign drill, and are the only troops that are equipped with foreign weapons. The balance are insufficiently supplied with native weapons, and would cut a poor figure in the field against Japanese troops armed with weapons of precision, who could soon overrun the country. There is, however, reason to presume, in the somewhat improbable contingency of Corea attacking Korea, that the native forces would act in conjunction with those of China, notwithstanding the King's partiality for the Japanese.

Loss of the S. S. 'Rosslyn'. We regret to have to announce the loss of the British steamer *Rosslyn*, a vessel of 1049 tons, which has been a regular trader on the China coast for some time past. Miss Adamson, Bell & Co., the agents for the steamer, inform us that they have received the following telegram from Captain McKechnie, the master of the *Rosslyn*:

—Cape St. James, 18th January, 7 p.m.—The *Rosslyn* left here on the 14th instant for Saigon, and she must, therefore, have been lost on her way to that port. She had

THE HONGKONG HOTEL IMPROVEMENTS.

We have from time to time called attention to the progress of the work of renovation, and improvement which has been going on for some months past in the Hongkong Hotel. The last of the important alterations and restorations has now been completed by the opening of the Billiard Room this afternoon. The room was closed about ten days ago and has during that period undergone a considerable change for the better. The walls have been colourwashed a pale green tint above, while for about five feet from the floor a skirting, in another shade, bordered with lines of blue, white, and chocolate, runs round the room. The wainscoting, window frames, and other woodwork has been painted and grained a light oak, which forms a tasty contrast to the tints of the wall and ceiling. The latter has been most artistically decorated in moulded panels with centre plaster ornaments, and painted lines and corner scrolls. The floor has been stained a dark oak colour and well polished, and altogether the work of decoration has been most artistically carried out. The billiard tables have been entirely rearranged. The western side of the room is occupied by the four American tables recently set up, placed side by side, while two full sized English tables, one of them brand new, are set up to end and down the other side of the room. Another new English table, by Thurston & Co. of London, is fixed up at the end of the room formerly occupied by the bar. Altogether, the arrangement of the tables is a decided improvement on the old one, the effect being much more regular and uniform and the players are allowed more room. The lighting arrangements are also improved. The new table at the end of the room is lit by new patent gas fittings by Thurston & Co., which throw a well distributed light upon the table and are better shaded from the eyes of the player than the usual fittings. Two ornamental bronze gas brackets, with patent burners attached, are fitted up at the sides of the archway connecting the two rooms.

All bare spaces on the walls have been filled up with pictures, several of which are new, and ornamental brackets for glasses, &c., to match the wainscoting boards, are to be affixed to the walls. The room, altogether, a most inviting appearance, and will, we should think, be well patronised by all lovers of the scientific game on the green cloth.

The work of renovation throughout the Hotel has been pursued under many difficulties, each particular portion having to be undertaken separately so as not to interfere with the general business of the house more than was absolutely unavoidable, and great credit is due to the energetic and genial manager, Mr. Greely, for the manner in which he has conducted the Hotel, giving general satisfaction to all visitors, and at the same time facilitating and pushing forward the repairs and alterations.

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According to complainant's evidence, he was walking at the street at 5 p.m. yesterday, when he fell a blow at his pocket. He fell to the ground and saw that the defendant, who had just withdrawn his hand from complainant's pocket, had the handkerchief and a small parcel containing three dollars, belonging to complainant, to another man. He caught hold of the prisoner, who wanted to run off the man to whom he had given the articles, but complainant held on to him and gave him in charge.

Two previous convictions were proved against the defendant and he was now sent to prison for six months' hard labour.

ANOTHER SEIZURE OF OPIUM. Three traders, all rejoicing in the family name of Liu, were convicted of being in

Last Monday, we reported, says the *N. C. D. News*, that several suits had been heard at the German Consular Court against the Deutsche Dampfschiffahrtsgesellschaft of Hamburg. The Court was composed of Dr. Gabriel and two Assessors, plaintiffs being Messrs. Schmidt & Co. for Ts. 11,958, J. J. Buchenroder for Ts. 1,240, and W. Moyerink & Co. for Ts. 705 and Ts. 618. The claims were for non-delivery, or damage to damaged goods, of certain arms and ammunition, which were sent to the D.D.R. steamer *Editha* in August last year. On Saturday the Court had before it the question whether the D.D.R. were liable, the defendants contending that they were not. The Court, however, decided in the affirmative, and left the question as to the value of the articles till yesterday, when the claims of Messrs. J. J. Buchenroder and W. Moyerink & Co. were decided in favour of the plaintiffs, with costs and interest on the amounts claimed. With regard to the claim of Messrs. Schmidt & Co., the Court decided to take the evidence of experts as to the value of the articles in question on due date of arrival at Shanghai. This will be decided in a few days. The defendants have given notice of their intention to appeal to the Supreme Court of Leipzig.

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Where it is expedient that the Colony of Hongkong could be properly represented at the Exhibition of the Products, Manufactures, and Arts of the Colonial and Indian dominions of the Crown to be held in London during the year of our Lord 1886, under the presidency of His Royal Highness Prince of Wales;

No. 1—Sir George Ferguson Bonham, the Governor as aforesaid, do hereby by appointing the following Commissioners to act on the behalf by which such representation of Hongkong can be secured, and to report to me their opinion thereon; and I hereby charge all persons in the public service to assist the Commissioners therein. The Honourable William Keeney, Member of the Legislative Council (Chairman); William Neish Bain, Esquire.

Emanuel Raphael Bellis, Esquire. Charles David Bottomley, Esquire. Captain Paul Chater, Esquire.

Atwell Coxon, Esquire.

David Robert Fenton Crawford, Esquire. William Honfray Fullery Darby, Esquire. William Howell Forbes, Esquire.

Charles Ford, Esquire.

David Gillies, Esquire.

Hanshin Hopkins, Esquire.

Honourable Thomas Jackson, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Alfred Lister, Colonial Treasurer.

Ji Shing, Esquire.

Li Tak-chung, Esquire.

Alexander Palmer Macdonald, Esquire.

Edwin Mackintosh, Esquire.

Captain William Henry Marsh, C.M.G.

Commander George Darby Morant, R.N.

Honourable Edward Louisa O'Malley,

Attorney General.

Honourable John Macneile Price, Surveyor General.

Agostino Guilherme Romano, Esquire.

William Ross, Esquire.

Hopkinson Mr Justice Russell.

Dhunjeebhoy Ruttonjee, Esquire.

Honourable Phineas Ryrie, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Frederick David Saeson, Member of the Legislative Council.

Honourable Frederick Stewart, LL.D., Registrar General.

Wal Yuk, Esquire.

Colonel George Edmond Lushington Walker, R.E.

Honourable Wong Shing, Member of the Legislative Council.

Henry Ernest Wodehouse, Esquire, (Hon. Secretary.)

It will not, we imagine, give this imposing Commission a large amount of trouble to settle what should be sent to London to represent the products, manufactures and arts of Hongkong. The choice will be small. A facetious artist, in representing the products of Hongkong, depicted an empty soda water bottle and a cigar stamp. Seriously, however, Hongkong must make such a wretched show in an exhibition of products, manufactures and arts that unless our articles of commerce from the neighbouring mainland are included in the exhibition for this Colony, perhaps Hongkong had better stand modestly aside in the affair. So far as purely local exhibits are concerned, they may include some refined sugar and ropes. If a facetious element be allowable in the exhibition there might be placed in the Hongkong 'show' a few chopped dollars, some soy, a bottle or two of Hongkong gas, and that fine painting of local notables which was on view at the Bazaar in the Public Gardens.

The following is the table of contents of the *Overland China Mail*, to be published at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning:

BIRTHS AND DEATHS,.....

QUOTATIONS, EXCHANGE, &c.,.....

SUMMARY OF NEWS,.....

APPEALS IN TONQUIN,.....

SETTLEMENT OF THE CORIAN DIFFICULTY,.....

THE FRENCH IN CAMBODIA,.....

LOSS OF THE S. S. 'ROSSLYN',.....

TAIWANFOO,.....

FOOCHOW,.....

NINGPO,.....

HONGKONG,.....

EDITORIAL ARTICLES,.....

    The Chinese Revenue,.....

    Germany's Colonizing Policy,.....

    Mr. Macdonald,.....

## Mails.



STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,  
ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID,  
MALTA, GIBRALTAR,  
BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,  
PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;  
ALSO,  
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND  
AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—*Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLE, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.*

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *PESHAWUR*, Captain J. C. BABOT, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, and BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the 20th January, at 4 p.m. The cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be shipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed by ship without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further Particulars, regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Parcels are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

Passenger desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office.

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for MARSELLA.

A. MCLEVER, Superintendent,

Hongkong, January 7, 1885.

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
COLOMBO, PONDICHERY,  
MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ,  
PORT SAID.

MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS;

FALLES, MAISELLAS, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

ALSO,  
BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, DUNKIRK,  
LONDON AND ANTWERP.

ON TUESDAY, the 27th January, 1885, at noon, the Company's S.S. *ANADIV*, Commandant de la MASCILLE, with MAILED, PASSENGERS, SPECIES, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Special and Parcels until 3 p.m., on the 26th January, 1885. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 15, 1885.

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Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, via THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THIS Steamship *SAN PABLO* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 29th instant, at 3 p.m.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamer from Shanghai and Japan.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSENGERS.—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa), within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 2% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco, should be sent to the Company's Offices addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

E. F. FOSTER,  
Agent.

Hongkong, January 17, 1885.

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WINTER TIME TABLE.

THE KOWLOON FERRY.

STEAM-LAUNCH MORNING STAR.

Runs DAILY as a Ferry Boat between Pedder's Wharf and Tsui-Tsui at the following hours:—This Time Table will take effect from the 1st November, 1884.

WEEK DAYS. SUNDAYS.

Leaves 7 a.m. Leaves 7 a.m. Leaves 7 a.m.

6.00 a.m. 7.00 a.m. 6.00 a.m. 7.00 a.m.

8.00 " 8.30 " 7.30 " 8.00 "

8.50 " 9.00 " 9.00 " 10.15 "

9.40 " 10.15 " 11.00 " NOON.

10.45 " 12.30 P.M. 1.00 " 1.00 P.M.

12.45 P.M. 1.00 " 1.30 " 2.00 "

1.30 " 2.00 " 2.30 " 3.00 "

2.30 " 3.00 " 3.30 " 4.00 "

3.30 " 4.00 " 4.30 " 4.35 "

4.30 " 5.00 " 5.30 " 5.10 "

5.30 " 6.00 " 6.30 " 6.30 "

6.30 " 6.30 " 7.00 " 7.00 "

6.00 " 7.05 "

## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packets of paper may be sent at Book Rate. Two Newspapers must not be folded together as one, nor must *two* *newspapers* be inserted except book fold. Supplements, if inserted one may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Printed Current may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as, though written by Hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied missals, &c. The charge on them is the same for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partially written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article may accompany it with a Western Receipt on paying an extra fee of 5 cents.

The limit of weight for Books and Commercial Papers to Foreign Post Offices is 4 lbs. Patterns for such offices are limited to 3 ounces, and must not exceed these dimensions: 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

*Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.* The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered Correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10, in certain cases, provided:—

1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was properly enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person in the post office or in the Hongkong Post Office.

No compensation can be paid for more damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, handbags, bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

*Postage to Union Countries.*

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 16 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Counter Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on undeposited correspondence within the Postal Union.

*Postage to Non-Union Countries.*

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10; Registration, 16; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 2; via Ceylon, Letters, 24; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

*LOCAL POSTAGE.*

Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 16 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Counter Papers, 2 cents per 2 oz.

*Chairs, Jimirka, and Boat Hire.*

*LOCAL AND TARIFF OF FEES FOR CHAIRS, CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGKONG.*

*Chairs.*

Half hour, ... 10 cents One hour, ... 20 cents.

Three hours, ... 50 cents Six hours, ... 70 cents.

Dry (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

*TO VICTORIA PEAK.*

Single Trip, ... Return Direct.

Four Cooches, ... \$2.00 Four Cooches, ... \$1.50

Three Cooches, ... 8.80 Three Cooches, ... 1.20

Two Cooches, ... 7.70 Two Cooches, ... 1.00

*RETURN.*

By Pulau-Lam, Shortest.

Round.

Four Cooches, ... \$2.00 Four Cooches, ... \$2.50

Three Cooches, ... 1.60 Three Cooches, ... 2.00

Two Cooches, ... 1.30 Two Cooches, ... 1.60

*To Wansai Gap.*

Four Cooches, ... ... \$1.75

Three Cooches, ... ... 1.40

Two Cooches, ... ... 1.20

*To VICTORIA GAP.*

Single Trip, ... Return Direct.

Four Cooches, ... 60 cents Four Cooches, ... 50 cents

Three Cooches, ... 50 cents Three Cooches, ... 45 cents

Two Cooches, ... 40 cents Two Cooches, ... 35 cents

Return by Pulau-Lam, Shortest.

Four Cooches, ... \$1.50 Four Cooches, ... \$2.00

Three Cooches, ... 1.20 Three Cooches, ... 1.60

Two Cooches, ... 1.00 Two Cooches, ... 1.20

*Local Delivery.*

Letters, 10 cents per 1 oz.

Over one hour or part of an hour, ... 10 cents.

Over two hours, ... 20 cents.

Over three hours, ... 30 cents.

To Shinkwan, ... 35 cents.

Patung, ... 50 cents.

To Ah-shoo, ... 35 cents.

Return, ... 35 cents.

If an extra Cooche is employed, the fare will be double.

Nothing in above scale prevents private agreements.

*BOAT AND COOCHIRE HIRE.*

*BOATS.*

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Day, ... \$3.00

1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 piculs, per Load, ... 2.00

2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 piculs, per Day, ... 2.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-ku Boat of 900 piculs, per Day, ... 1.50

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-ku Boat of 900 piculs, per Load, ... 1.00

3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-ku Boat of 900 piculs, per Day, ... 1.00

*Sampanas.*